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## STATE OF TENNESSEE,

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## CHAPTER XXI.

AN ACT to Amend An Act, passed on the 13th of March, 1868,  
entitled "An Act to amend the revenue laws of the State."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That An Act to amend the revenue laws of the State, passed on the 13th day of March, 1868, Hotels and Livery Stable be so amended as to impose a tax of fifty cents on each room except two in a hotel or tavern, and a tax of fifty cents on each stall in a livery stable, or stable kept by hotel or tavern keepers, instead of one dollar, as now imposed by law.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That this Act take effect from and after its passage.

W. O'N. PERKINS,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
D. B. THOMAS,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

Passed November 27, 1869.

## CHAPTER XXII.

AN ACT to Amend the Criminal Laws of the State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That all voters in this State shall be required to vote in the civil district or ward in which they may reside. Any person violating this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall not be fined less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars; *Provided,* that sheriffs and other officers holding elections shall be permitted to vote at any ward or precinct in which they may hold an election.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall not be lawful for any qualified voter or other person attending any election in this State, or for any person attending any fair, race course, or other public assembly of the people, to carry about his person, concealed or otherwise, any pistol, dirk, bowie-knife, Arkansas tooth-pick, or weapon in form, shape

To vote in Civil District or Ward.

Deadly Weapons.

or size, resembling a bowie-knife, or Arkansas tooth-pick, or other deadly or dangerous weapon.

**Penalty.** SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That all persons convicted under the second section of this Act shall be punished by fine of not less than fifty dollars, and by imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

**Liquor Shops.** SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That no liquor shop in this State, shall be kept open on election days, nor shall any person, on said days, give or sell intoxicating liquors to any person for any purpose at or near an election ground.

**Grand Juries.** SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That the grand juries of this State shall have inquisitorial powers concerning the commission of the offenses created by these Acts, and may send for witnesses, as in cases of gaming, illegal voting, tippling and offenses now prescribed by law.

**Judges.** SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Circuit and Criminal Judges of this State to give the above in special charge to the several grand juries of the courts.

**Proviso.** SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted,* That there shall be no property exempt from execution for fines and costs for this offense; *Provided*, That, if from any cause, there should be a failure to hold an election in any civil district or ward, then nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent any voter from voting in any other civil district or ward in his county or town, for State or county officers, at the time prescribed by law.

SEC. 8. *Be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

W. O'N. PERKINS.  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
D. B. THOMAS,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

Passed December 1, 1869.